

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN BOB DEPRATU**, on April 16, 2003 at 8:05 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Bob DePratu, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Bob Story Jr., Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)  
Sen. John C. Bohlinger (R)  
Sen. Jon Ellingson (D)  
Sen. Jim Elliott (D)  
Sen. Bill Glaser (R)  
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)  
Sen. Walter McNutt (R)  
Sen. Mike Taylor (R)  
Sen. Ken Toole (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Lee Heiman, Legislative Branch  
Shirley Herrin, Committee Secretary

**Video-taped Committee:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted:  
Executive Action: SB 381

**CHAIRMAN DEPRATU** stated the meeting was called to see if the committee wanted to do anything about Constitutional protection for any taxes that might be eliminated by, or refundable by, SB 470, a sales tax bill, should it pass the House. He said there were two bills they might possibly want to reconsider, HB

381 and SB 482. Amendments to HB 381 were handed out  
**EXHIBIT (tas82a01)** .

**Discussion:**

8:06        Begin  
            After a brief discussion concerning the need to suspend  
            the rules and comments about going to the voters for  
            approval of tax policy not being good representative  
            government the consensus of the committee was not to do  
            anything at this point.  
8:16        Ended  
10 min      Time elapsed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 8:16 A.M.

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SEN. BOB DEPRATU, Chairman

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SHIRLEY HERRIN, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT (tas82aad)**